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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: MICROCOMPUTER PROVIDED WITH FLASH MEMORY AND METHOD OF  
STORING PROGRAM INTO FLASH MEMORY

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2002, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

*Sub B*  
Claim 1. (Amended) A computer provided with a memory and having a self-  
programming function of rewriting a program stored in said memory, comprising:  
a rewrite program area for storing a program for a rewriting processing procedure for said  
memory; and  
a controller for forming a plurality of flag areas locally in said memory when the  
rewriting program is written into said memory, performing determination of completion of one  
or more stages of rewriting processing and recording results of the determination into the  
respective flag areas.